

**Lower Merion Education Association
Executive Council Meeting
April 8, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER: President A. Avellino called the meeting to order at 4:19pm.

Approval of minutes from March Executive Council Meeting A. Avellino; 2nd K. Hughes

OFFICER REPORTS:

President, Aimee Avellino

- Asked for a Moment of Silence for Timothy Mohan, long time teacher at Bala Cynwyd Middle School who passed away tragically last week. The officers of LMEA and others in many locations are supporting the staff at BCMS and BRMS during this difficult time.
- In the next few weeks, the emails about Open Enrollment will begin to arrive. Open Enrollment begins May 6th and goes for 2 weeks. Save emails from Eric Demkin as they contain a wealth of information, links, etc that will be useful as you support members now and in the future.
- Our next meeting will be In person on May 13 at 4:14pm in the LGI Room at LMHS.

Vice President, Support: Kyle O'Brien

- No report.

Vice President, Professional: Kelly Cenicola

- No report.

First Vice President, Andy Thomas

- No report.

Secretary, Support: Vic Fedeli

- No report.

Secretary, Professional: Karen Salladino

- No report.

Treasurer: Lauren Lapinski

- Submitted and K. Salladino shared the treasurer's report in the email reminder.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Outreach: Andria Johnson

- LMEA is sponsoring a table at the Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation event on June 1st. We are partnering with Super Sibs, an organization that focuses on the siblings of those battling cancer. More information can be found in the Apple Core.

Constitution:

- No report.

Elections: Kelly Cenicola and Jen Hannig

- No report...details for upcoming election is in the Apple Core.

Combined Negotiations: Kevin Hughes, Larry Giaquinto

- Negotiations are ongoing.

Financial Advisory Committee: Aimee Avellino

- No report.

Health and Safety: Aimee Avellino, Larry Giaquinto

- No report. Continue to report concerns as protocol dictates.

Legislation:

- No report.

Minority Affairs Committee: Myah Hadi

- No report.

PACE: Andy Thomas

- No report.

PR&R: Kyle O'Brien, Andy Thomas

- K. Salladino will share the report in the follow-up email. There is a new professional grievance on the report this time.

Social: Vic Fedeli, Aimee Avellino

- The LMEA retirement dinner is scheduled for May 30th at Evviva. So far we have 55 people on the list. If you know of someone who is retiring, please email Vic at fedeliv@lmsd.org.

Special Services: Aimee Avellino

- No report.

Sunshine: Debbie Williams

- Remember to keep Debbie informed about life events for members. Please email Williad@lmsd.org if there is an event for which she should reach out to the member (birth, death, etc.).

Membership: David Grumbine

- Reports have been sent to each location. Please review and let D. Grumbine and K. Cenicola know if there are corrections to be made.

REPORTS OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEES:

CARE: Jackie Gaines

- No report.

Education Foundation: Andria Johnson

- No report.

BUILDING AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Administration: No report.

Belmont Hills ES: No report.

Cynwyd ES: No report.

Gladwyne ES: No report.

Merion ES: No report.

Penn Valley ES: No report.

Penn Wynne ES: No report.

Bala Cynwyd MS: Thank you for the support last week, especially the staff at BRMS. We are very grateful.

Black Rock MS: We also appreciate the support last week for those that knew Tim. Asked if there had been any response to our concerns about families questioning materials and lessons that they deem controversial since it continues to sometimes take too long for the central admin to respond and parents get upset with teachers. A.

Avellino shared that the concerns were discussed at a meeting with central administrators. The superintendent and the LMEA officers are working on it. K. Cenicola will follow up BRMS reps.

Welsh Valley MS: No report.

Harriton HS: Concerns raised about safety in the parking lots; some parents are driving aggressively and a teacher's car was hit recently. Building administrators have been made aware of the safety concerns. There was also a concern about a teacher volunteering time for work that should have been compensated per the contract. A. Avellino and K. Cenicola shared that the situation had been taken care of prior to today's meeting. D. Plump is retiring and thanked the LMEA for their support and hard work over the years.

Lower Merion HS: No report.

Building & Grounds: No report.

Transportation: No report.

At Large Reps: No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion: K. Salladino, 2nd K. Hughes at 4:42pm.